

THE ANGELUS

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,
And she conceived of the Holy Ghost.
Hail Mary, full of grace . . .
Behold the handmaid of the Lord;
Be it done to me according to thy word.
Hail Mary, full of grace . . .
And the Word was made flesh,
And dwelt amongst us.
Hail Mary, full of grace . . .
Pray for us O Holy Mother of God,
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy
grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation
of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of
an angel, may by His passion and cross be brought to
the glory of His resurrection, through the same Christ
Our Lord. Amen.

THE REGINA COELI

(Said during Eastertide, instead of the Angelus)
Queen of heaven, rejoice, Alleluia.
For He whom thou didst deserve to bear, Alleluia.
Hath risen as He said, Alleluia.
Pray for us to God, Alleluia.
Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary! Alleluia.
Because our Lord is truly risen, Alleluia.

Let us pray

O God, who by the Resurrection of Thy Son, Our Lord
Jesus Christ, has vouchsafed to make glad the whole
world, grant, we beseech Thee, that, through the interces-
sion of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the
joys of eternal life. Through the same Christ Our Lord.
Amen.

Our Pastors

It would be impossible in a book such as this to give
an individual account of the work of each of the priests
and expect to do justice to them all. Such was not our
purpose. Suffice it to list their names and say that our
parishes, since their inception, have been blessed with
many good priests; and while a number of them may be
remembered better than others because of their special
abilities and talents, still the credit for any special
achievement does not belong to any one individual, for
a successful achievement in a parish is merely the cul-
mination of the good work of the parishioners, the pas-
tor and his predecessors. Each of these pastors, no
matter what his special ability might have been, likes
best to be remembered as an "alter Christus"—another
Christ. Their Christ-like example, and the hardships and

deprivations which many of them endured, especially in
the early days, have been, we feel, the inspiration for the
sacrifices and generousities of the parishioners, which are
related in these paragraphs. Their names have truly been
the links in the chain which connects the past with the
present. May all, then, who read these lines utter a
prayer for Onawa's and Blencoe's "laborers in the Vine-
yard."

A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

*Keep them, I pray Thee, dearest Lord,
Keep them, for they are Thine—
Thy priests whose lives burn out before
Thy consecrated shrine.
Keep them, and comfort them in hours
Of loneliness and pain,
When all their life and sacrifice
For souls seems but in vain.
Keep them, and O remember, Lord
They have no one but Thee,
Yet they have only human hearts
With human frailty.
Keep them as spotless as the Host
That daily, they caress,
Their every thought and word and deed,
Deign, dearest Lord, to bless.*

LIST OF PRIESTS SERVING WESTERN MONONA COUNTY

Traveling Missionary Priests, including Father Kel-
ley and Father Dexacher from Omaha and Father Mc-
Laughlin from Dubuque; and the Pastors and assistants
from Jackson, Nebraska and Sioux City from 1858 to
1870.

Father James G. McNulty From Sioux City	1870 to 1872
Father B. C. Lenihan (Pastor) From Sioux City	1872 to 1881
Father James Barron From Sioux City	1881 to 1883
Father M. C. Daly From Salix	1883 to 1887
Father J. A. Griffin From Salix	1887 to 1897
Father George Cooke From Mapleton	1897 to 1898
Father G. Weinhold From Mapleton	1898 to 1900